Introduced by Committee on Judiciary (Assembly Members Mark Stone (Chair), Alejo, Chau, Chiu, Cristina Garcia, and Holden)

February 25, 2016

An act to amend Section 6140 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to attorneys.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2878, as introduced, Committee on Judiciary. Attorneys: annual membership fees.

The State Bar Act provides for the licensure and regulation of attorneys by the State Bar of California, a public corporation governed by a board of trustees. Existing law, until January 1, 2017, requires the board to charge an annual membership fee for active members of up to \$315 for 2016.

This bill would, until January 1, 2018, require the board to charge an annual membership fee in the same amount for 2017.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 6140 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 6140. (a) The board shall fix the annual membership fee for
- 4 active members for 2016 2017 at a sum not exceeding three
- 5 hundred fifteen dollars (\$315).

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- (b) The annual membership fee for active members is payable on or before the first day of February of each year. If the board 2 3 finds it appropriate and feasible, it may provide by rule for payment 4 of fees on an installment basis with interest, by credit card, or other 5 means, and may charge members choosing any alternative method of payment an additional fee to defray costs incurred by that 6 7 election.
 - (c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2017, 2018, and, as of that date, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2017, 2018, deletes or extends that date.